

Docket No.:SYM-0625

REMARKS

In an office action dated 28 December 2001, the Examiner objects to the specification and the claims. Furthermore, the Examiner rejects claims 1-16 and 33-48. Applicants filed a response to this office action on 28 March 2002. Applicant wishes to further amend claims 1 and 33 to better define the invention for which protection is sought. Claim 1-16 and 33-48 remains in the application.

Specifically, applicants wish to replace the added term of "input device" with "bar code reader" to define the invention. Applicants believe that the same arguments made in the 28 March reply apply to the application.

Applicants would like to further point out that Arai does not teach receiving data from a bar code reader. In Aria, data is received from an input device such as a mouse. There is no mention of other devices such as a bar code reader. For this reason and the reasons present in the reply of 28 March 2002, Applicants respectfully request that claims 1 and 33 be allowed as amended.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment or any other aspect of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned at 775-586-9500.

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APPENDIX - MARKED UP AMENDMENTSIn the Claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for transferring data from [an input device] a bar code reader to a software application having one or more data field, including the steps of:

storing data from [an input device] a bar code reader in an entity;
storing identification information regarding the [input device] bar code reader of the data in said entity;
transferring said entity to the software application; and
associating said entity with a data field in the software application based on said identification information.

33. (Twice Amended) A computer system for transferring data from [an input device] bar code reader to a software application having one or more data fields, including:

a memory writer which stores the data from the [input device] bar code reader in an entity and stores identification information regarding the [input device] bar code reader of the data in said entity;
a sender which transfers said entity to the software application; and
a matcher which associates said entity with a data field in the software application based on said identification information.

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